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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR CONTINUATION IN-PART-APPLICATION

I, a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:
my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM AND DATA SIGNAL PROVIDING IMAGE PROCESSING PROGRAM**
described and claimed in the specification:

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- * a. ☐ attached hereto.
b. ☒ filed on April 11, 2001 as Application Serial No.09/829,949.

This application discloses and claims subject matter disclosed in my or our earlier filed pending application, Application No.09/449,943, filed November 29, 1999.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of this application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

Under Title 35, U.S. Code §119, the priority benefits of the following foreign application(s) filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns within one year prior to said earlier filed pending application are hereby claimed:0:
Japanese Patent Application No. 10-338747 filed on November 30, 1998

The following application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention were filed in countries foreign to the United States of America either (a) more than one year prior to said international application, or (b) before the filing date of the above-named foreign priority application(s)

As to any and all subject matter of this application which is not common to said earlier application, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56, which became available between the filing date of the international application and the filing date of this application.

Under Title 35, U.S. Code §119, the priority benefits of the following foreign application(s) filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns within one year prior to this application are hereby claimed:

Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-110121 filed on April 12, 2000

The following application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate on such subject matter were filed in countries foreign to the United States of America either (a) more than one year prior to this application, or (b) before the filing of the above-named foreign priority application(s):

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